

RAPTURE REVOYD

KATHARINE NEWLIN BURT

FIRST INSTALLMENT

When Joeelyn, forgetting what her mother must have taught her, played music, her own mother, Marcella, was alarmed. It was like the voice of a stranger in the house.

She rose from the piano in an alcove of the long Spanish-looking living room, difficult to recognize as the living room of a New York apartment house, and went toward the intervening massive furniture to look at the player.

There she found the daughter, Marcella, had put into a foreign coat two years before, a smooth black gown, girl, eighteen years old, full-breasted, narrow-waisted, and with a high collar, which her eyes met her mother's, a slow smile, she said nothing, quickly. But when she played this music, her own there was a change, Marcella was glad to recognize it. Joeelyn had thrust down her chin and there was in her eyes, when the slow smile left them, the diff-



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